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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 7, 2006 in the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the accompanying remarks.

Applicants request a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action extending the due date for response to December 7, 2006. The due date for response was set to expire on September 7, 2006. Our check in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed. Applicants believe that no additional fees are required with this response other than the fee for the Notice of Appeal submitted herewith. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our Matter No. 3220-69262. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.